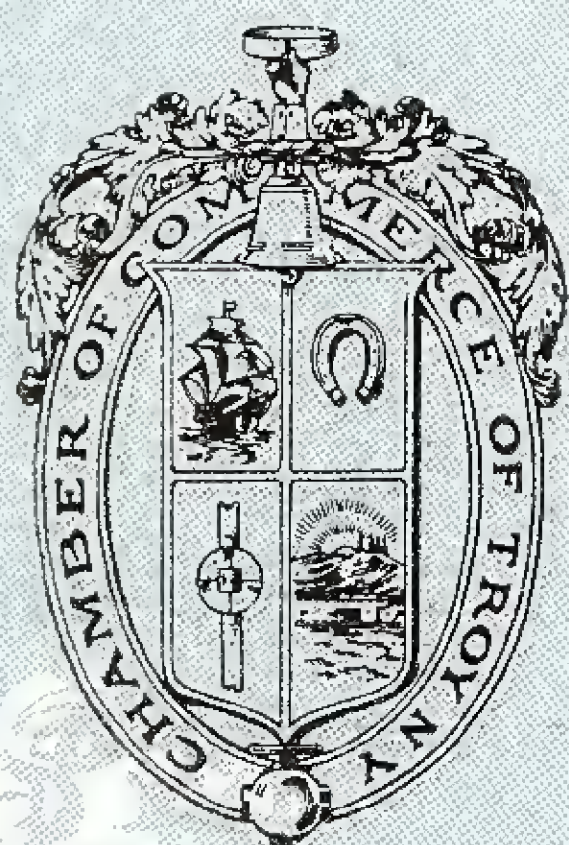


# TROY

New York



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CITY OF  
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# TROY

## A CITY OF

# DIVERSIFIED INDUSTRIES

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TROY manufactures NINETY PER CENT of all the collars made in the United States and boasts the largest collar factory in the world.

The engineering instruments manufactured here are known around the globe.

The largest turbine fans in the world are made in TROY.

TROY also manufactures :

Abrasives, bells, boilers, blowers and fans, chains, currency ink, cord, cotton waste, fire hydrants, furnaces, fire brick, fire proofing, fish lines, horse-shoes, hydroextractors, handkerchiefs, knitting machines, knit goods, laundry machinery, locomotive specialties, milling, merchant iron, malleable steel and iron, metal store front bars, marine engines, pig iron, paper, paint, paper boxes, rivets, rail joints, scales, shirts, stamped tinware, thermometers, towels, wash cloth, valves, underwear, varnish, waists and other products.

The Ford Tractor plant, situated in Green Island, just across the river from TROY, will be one of the largest manufacturing enterprises in the TROY territory.

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*TROY does not depend upon one class of MANUFACTURE for its PROSPERITY.*



# The Reason Why

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The origin of TROY was due to the fact that her far-sighted early settlers appreciated the value of a location at the head of navigation on the Hudson, adjacent to falls that provided water power and at the confluence of another navigable stream, the Mohawk River. Later the wisdom of this decision was verified by the erection of the Government dam to provide power for the many factories springing up.

TROY was also at the crossways of old Indian trails east and west and north and south, which later were developed into Government postroads, the precursors of radiating railroad lines. The surrounding territory was fertile, heavily wooded and of diversified contour.

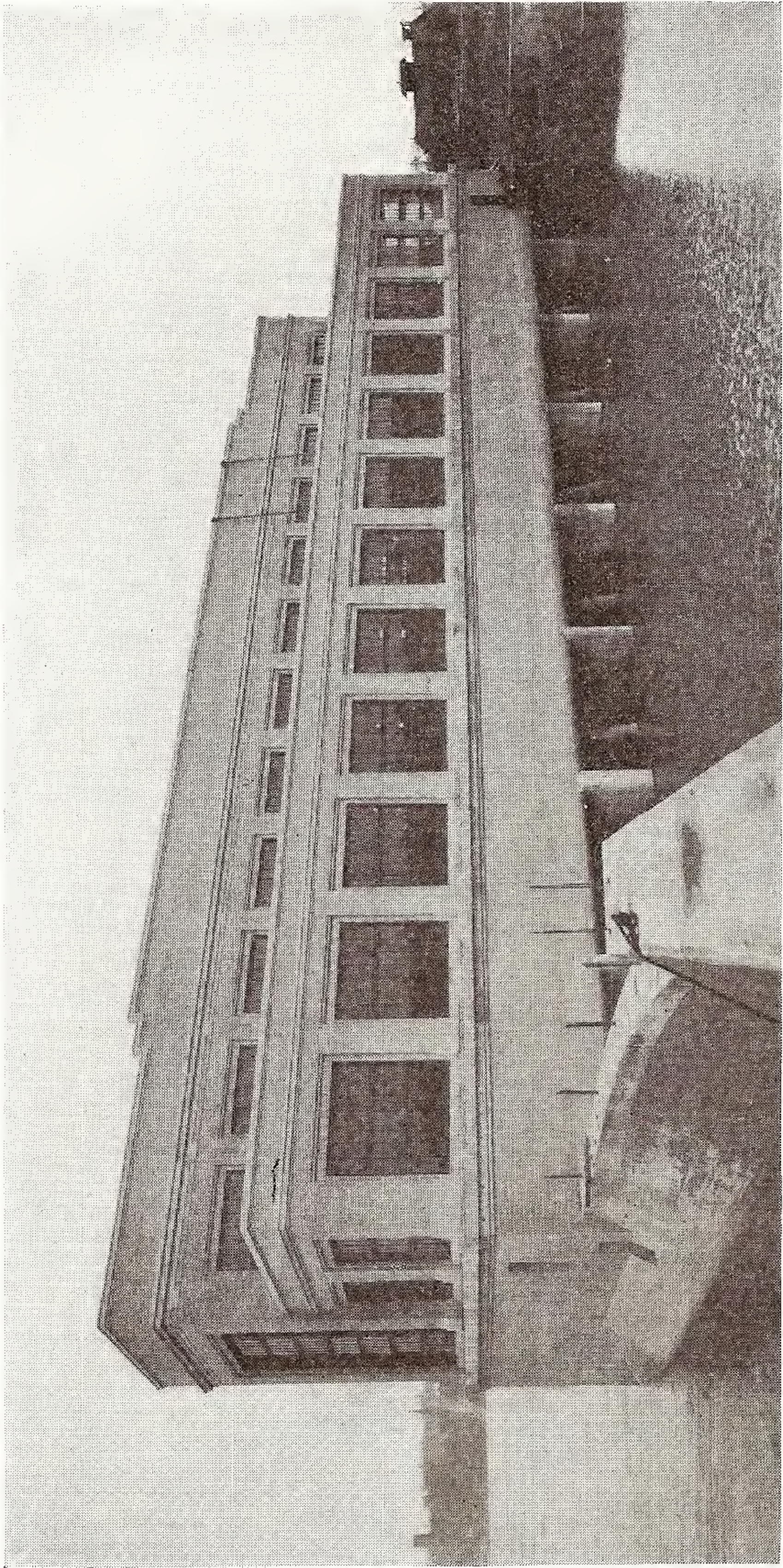
Few, if any, cities in the state possess the natural advantages of TROY. Nestling in one of the most picturesque sections of the Hudson and Mohawk Valleys, it affords unsurpassed attractions for lovers of the beautiful in Nature. Far to the north the Adirondack Mountains rear their majestic peaks, while to the east the Berkshires are outlined sharply against the horizon. To the west the Helderbergs stand like grim sentinels, and far to the southward the Catskills lift their blue heights from the rolling plains below. All of this territory is easily accessible by rail, boat, trolley or excellent State roads. In addition to this scenic beauty, TROY is surrounded by some of the finest hunting, fishing and recreation grounds in the East.

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*With its past DEVELOPMENT, its present PROSPERITY and its future POSSIBILITIES, TROY is a City of DESTINY.*





FORD POWER PLANT, AT GOVERNMENT DAM, GREEN ISLAND  
Just across the river from Troy



# Troy, the Transportation Hub of the East

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From a transportation standpoint no inland city is more advantageously situated than TROY.

It is the Hub of a radiating system of varied methods of freight distribution—150 miles by rail or water to New York; 300 miles by rail or barge canal to Buffalo; 250 miles by rail to Montreal; and 190 miles by rail to Boston. Within this radius of TROY are over *twenty millions of people*.

It is also the eastern terminus of the New York State Barge Canal System; is the western terminus of the Boston & Maine Railroad; and is served by the New York Central and the Delaware & Hudson Railroads.

Situated at the head of navigation on the Hudson River, TROY is virtually a seaport. Steel steamers, both passenger and freight, ply daily on the Hudson River between TROY and NEW YORK, touching at the intermediate cities.

TROY is the logical distributing and shipping center of this great territory, and from this point through merchandise freight cars operate to all the principal cities of the United States.

TROY is the converging point of four interurban electric railways, serving communities within a radius of sixty miles. There are also a number of regularly established passenger and freight motor lines radiating from TROY to outlying districts within a radius of fifty miles, which territory was formerly handicapped by inadequate transportation service.

From the Passenger Bus terminal operated by the Troy Chamber of Commerce, motor busses leave at regular intervals for points in Massachusetts and Vermont. These trolley lines and busses serve cities and towns aggregating a half million population.

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*TROY IS THE NATURAL GATEWAY for the flow of commerce to Northeastern New York and the New England States.*



# Why Troy Appeals to the Home Builder

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Because INDUSTRY, CULTURE and EDUCATION, three requisites for HAPPINESS and PROSPERITY, center in TROY.

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## EMPLOYMENT.

With its diversified manufacturing interests there is less unemployment in TROY than in the average city. Depression in *all* lines of industry *at the same time* has never been experienced.

## HEALTH.

With a climate which seldom becomes extreme, and an unexcelled water supply from pure mountain lakes, TROY has an exceptional health record. TROY draws its water supply in gravity from two systems of reservoirs. The reservoirs have a storage capacity of 13,229,105,000 gallons, and the average daily consumption is 20,000,000 gallons, an allowance of 270 gallons a day for each of the inhabitants. The water is exceptionally soft and, therefore, is valuable for laundry purposes. The system cost \$4,620,710.50 in 1914 and many improvements have since been added.

## EDUCATIONAL.

TROY has two high schools with academic, commercial and vocational departments; eighteen graded schools and sixteen kindergartens. There are also ten parochial schools. All of the buildings are modern and constructed in accordance with the best architectural and sanitary standards. The Russell Sage College of Practical Arts for the education of young women for professional vocations, was founded in 1916, and has about 300 students on its rolls. The Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, founded in 1824, is one of the finest engineering schools in the country. Its enrollment approximates 1,000 students. The Emma Willard School for the higher education of girls, was founded more than a century ago and has a national reputation. Other educational institutions include the Troy Conservatory of Music; Emma Willard Conservatory of Music; Mary Warren Free Institute; La Salle Institute; Troy Business College and Troy School of Commerce.





THE EMMA WILLARD SCHOOL  
FOR GIRLS



ONE OF TROY'S BUSY CORNERS



mands an uninterrupted view for many miles to the north, west and south. There are seven public playgrounds and two public baths in TROY.

### *HOSPITALS.*

TROY has three general hospitals and one maternity hospital, with new buildings representing an expenditure of approximately \$2,000,000. They are equipped with every modern appliance and with staffs of competent surgeons, physicians and nurses.

### *BANKING FACILITIES.*

TROY has five National Banks, one State Bank, one Trust Company, and three Building and Loan Associations, besides one Savings Bank. The banking institutions have more than \$51,000,000 in deposits, reflecting not only the opportunities of acquiring money, but also the thrift of the wage-earners. The Building and Loan Associations' assets total more than \$7,500,000 and one of them is the largest institution of its kind in the State.

### *NEWSPAPERS.*

There are two daily newspapers, "The Troy Record", publishing both a morning and evening edition, and "The Troy Times", an afternoon paper. There are two Sunday papers, "The Troy Budget" and "The Troy Observer", also two weekly papers, "The Troy Freie Press" and "The Labor Journal."

### *PUBLIC BUILDINGS.*

TROY has a number of splendid federal, county and city public buildings, including a magnificent Court House, granite Post Office building, fine City Hall and other attractive edifices. The value of the city buildings alone is estimated at more than \$2,500,000. A new station for the fire and police telephone system has been erected and plans are being prepared for the building of a large edifice for central police headquarters.

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*TROY WAS NOT BOOMED INTO PROSPERITY, BUT WAS BOOSTED THERE BY THE FAITH, INDUSTRY AND ENTERPRISE OF HER CITIZENS.*



# Brief but Important!

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TROY has an area of 9.32 square miles.

“MADE IN TROY” is a slogan known the world over.

The assessed valuation of TROY is \$61,893,477.

There are approximately sixty-five miles of paved streets in TROY.

TROY has a population of 75,000 wide awake, progressive, hustling people.

The annual output of TROY manufactures exceeds in valuation \$60,000,000.

TROY capital built the \$85,000 barracks for Company “G” New York State Troopers.

Four bridges span the Hudson River at TROY and connect the adjoining cities and villages.

TROY is the terminus of the Barge Canal System, one of the most important waterways in the United States.

There are thirty-two wholesale houses and three hundred and fifty-eight manufacturing concerns in TROY.

The improvement of the channel, harbor, dam and terminals will cost the government more than \$2,500,000.

The TROY Public Library has more than 55,000 books on its shelves and all of the leading magazines and newspapers in its reading room.

TROY is the shopping center for a district embracing more than 500,000 persons, and the shopping facilities are ample to meet all requirements of the most exacting.

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*TROY INVITES YOU To Share Its Many Advantages. When You Join Our Community, You ADD TO ITS PROSPERITY As Well As To Your Own.*



# The TROY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

is organized for PUBLIC SERVICE.  
It is centrally located in the Troy  
Savings Bank Building, at State and  
Second Streets, where its officers are  
ever ready to welcome visitors, tourists  
and prospective citizens.



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Home of The Chamber of Commerce

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## TROY

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